
Photo Report

Residential Diversion Program, City of Compton

10/14-15/08 – 10/21-22/08

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A) Observations of staff

On October 14-16 and 21-22, 2008, Board staff drove through most, if not all, of the City's residential sections that were serviced during staff's site visit.

1-3. Set out rate for residential service was inconsistent. Some residents had all three bins out while others had only one or two. Cross-contamination was prevalent between recycling and garbage bins at the curb.



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B) Cross contamination by hauler

1-3. The following sequence shows staff's observation of an automated residential truck disposing of garbage and source separated greenwaste. The greenwaste was estimated to be 25 percent of the load.

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C) Commercial Program

The hauler and City informed staff that approximately 45 days prior to staff's visit was the beginning of deployment of commercial recycling bins to the top 10 percent of large businesses.

1. Staff observed 18 out of 24 new white colored bins dedicated to recycling. Staff was only able to identify these bins at the commercial shopping center to the east of City Hall. This is a new program that the hauler has recently started. There are over 1275 commercial accounts within the City.



2. Observed load of source separated commercial recyclables delivered to the hauler's contracted processing facility.



C) Commercial Program (continued)

1-2. Staff observed significant greenwaste contamination within the commercial waste bins. The absence of a fully implemented greenwaste diversion program is impacting the City's diversion efforts.

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D) Illegal Disposal

1-3. Staff observed illegal disposal while driving around in the industrial sector of the City. Illegal disposal is another area impacting the City's overall diversion efforts.

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